



AN ACT ALLOWING A RETIRING LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER TO PURCHASE CERTAIN FIREARMS ISSUED TO THE OFFICER; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:

**Section 1. Purchase of firearm by retiring law enforcement officer.** A sheriff or other peace officer, as defined in 7-32-303, who is terminating from service and is eligible for a retirement benefit from a retirement plan under Title 19, chapters 6 through 9, 19, or 21, may request to purchase firearms that have been issued to the sheriff or peace officer and that are legal for a private citizen to possess. If the request is accepted, the parties shall agree on the purchase price, not to exceed fair market value.

**Section 2. Codification instruction.** [Section 1] is intended to be codified as an integral part of Title 7, chapter 32, part 3, and the provisions of Title 7, chapter 32, part 3, apply to [section 1].

**Section 3. Effective date.** [This act] is effective on passage and approval.

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I hereby certify that the within bill,  
HB 0324, originated in the House.

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Chief Clerk of the House

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Speaker of the House

Signed this \_\_\_\_\_ day  
of \_\_\_\_\_, 2009.

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President of the Senate

Signed this \_\_\_\_\_ day  
of \_\_\_\_\_, 2009.

HOUSE BILL NO. 324

INTRODUCED BY ARNTZEN, ZINKE, HENDRICK, KLOCK, MILLER, FUREY, RIPLEY, Warburton,  
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